



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

Notice of a Change in Status of an Extended Benefit (EB) Period for New Mexico.

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a change in status of the payable periods under the EB program for New Mexico.

The following change has occurred since the publication of the last notice regarding the State's EB status:

- The Federal authorization to have a three year look-back was recently extended to February 29, 2012. However, New Mexico used a hard end date in state law for the expiration of its three year look-back provision. As a result, New Mexico's three year look-back legislation has expired. With the expiration of the three year look-back, New Mexico failed to meet the criteria to remain triggered "on" to EB with the week ending January 7, 2012 and the payable period in the EB program for New Mexico concluded January 28, 2012.

The trigger notice covering state eligibility for the EB program can be found at:

http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims_arch.asp.

Information for Claimants

The duration of benefits payable in the EB program, and the terms and conditions on which they are payable, are governed by the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, as amended, and the operating instructions issued to the states by the U.S. Department of Labor. In the case of a state beginning an EB period, the State Workforce Agency will furnish a written notice of potential entitlement to each individual who has exhausted all rights to regular benefits and is potentially eligible for EB (20 CFR 615.13 (c) (1)).

Persons who believe they may be entitled to EB, or who wish to inquire about their rights under the program, should contact their State Workforce Agency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott Gibbons, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Frances Perkins Bldg. Room S-4231, Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone number (202)-693-3008 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email: gibbons.scott@dol.gov.

Signed in Washington, D.C., this 8th day of February, 2012.

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